

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

MICHIGAN.

The Clancy Iron Mining Company was organized at Grand Rapids Monday, with capital stock of \$50,000, which is to operate in the Upper Peninsula. It is composed mostly of Grand Rapids men and has John Clancy for president.

The snow fall at Alpena on the night of the 9th and succeeding day, was the heaviest of the season—over 12 inches on the level.

A fire at Crystal Lake, Montcalm Co. Sunday night, destroyed three stores and their contents with the records and paraphernalia of the Masonic and Odd Fellows, lodgerooms above them. Loss \$9,000.

Wm. Cronin, of Manistee, was drawn over the dashboard by a runaway team, under the horses feet, and received such injuries that he died on the 7th.

Thomas Ward, treasurer of the town of Hampton, Bay County, is said to have left, with accounts showing a deficiency of over \$900.

John Ruddy, of Springfield, Oakland Co., has been arrested in London, Ont. on suspicion of throwing James Watson into the river.

James Morris, charged with being implicated in the robbery of the Wayne Co. treasury, was discharged on Monday, for want of sufficient evidence.

Fred Twist, conductor on the Flint & Pere Marquette, while coupling cars at Holly, was pushed into a cattle-guard, and fell astride the rail. He has been the victim of mind to throw his body over, which saved his life, but one leg was crushed.

An order from the office of the Adjutant-General of the State Militia sets forth that the resignation of Col. W. M. Fitzsimmons, of the First Regiment of M. S. T. has been accepted. The Colonel was president of the collapsed Tecumseh bank.

The co-operative, or grange store at Grand Rapids, has passed into the hands of a receiver.

John Van Slyke, a prominent farmer near Judd, died this week after 10 hours' illness. He said, before dying, that he had been poisoned. For some time his domestic relations had been unhappy.

John Mitchell, a resident of Kew Kewlin, was found dead on the railroad track Tuesday morning not far from his residence.

Frank Scott has been arrested at Flint, for stealing one hundred dollars of a man named Cutler. He is charged with snatching the money and running away, while his accomplices pretended to arrest Cutler and hold him until Scott escaped. Scott has been arrested.

A drug clerk in Grand Rapids sold Mrs. H. Randall, of Ottawa Co. opium by mistake for pulverized turpentine, which she took in such quantities as to produce fatal result.

Judge Josiah Turner, of Owosso has been nominated by the President as consular agent at Amherstburg, Ont.

The citizens of Lapeer, have resolved to raise \$5,000 to encourage a carriage manufacturing company which desires to start in business there.

The State Press Association met at Lansing on the 15th. Members of J. N. Ingerson, W. S. George and Geo. A. Fitch were read, and Mr. Scripps, of Detroit, read a paper on "The Means of Making the Association Permanent and Useful."

Sophie Lyons has been sentenced by Judge Joslin, of the Washtenaw Circuit, to four years and eleven months, in the Detroit House of Correction.

Sheriff Dice, of St. Joseph Co., has returned from San Francisco, with his prisoner, C. W. Fonda, late of the Farmer's National Bank, Centerville.

At the evening meeting of the press association at Lansing, Mr. Scripps offered the following resolution which was adopted: Resolved, That the executive committee be instructed to urge upon the legislature, at its next session, the passage of an act in relation to suits for libel, to protect publishers against malicious prosecutions. The following officers were elected: President—James E. Scripps, of the Evening News; vice-presidents—Don C. Henderson, of the Allegan Journal; James W. Hine, of the Lowell Journal; H. B. Rowland, of the Hillsdale Standard; secretary—Edwin S. Hoskins, of the St. Louis Leader; treasurer—F. G. Girault, of the Greenville Independent.

Edwin Booth played Hamlet Thursday night to an audience which filled the Detroit Opera House to overflowing. Hundreds were content to stand three hours, and ladies paid \$1.50 for the privilege of sitting in the orchestra with the musicians.

C. W. Fonda, the absconding thief of Constantinople, is held for bail in \$25,000, to be tried in the United States Court at Grand Rapids.

Miss Kate McDonald of Alpena, who for the last 16 years has been unable to speak, suddenly recovered the use of her vocal organs last Wednesday.

Chas. A. Nesbitt of Pontiac, accused of making counterfeit silver dollars, after a partial hearing Thursday, was held for trial in the United States Court, and in default of \$2,000 bail remanded to Detroit Jail.

Warren Ledy and Wm. Welch, two cigar makers of Ekhart, were arrested at Coldwater, on Friday, as they supposed men who burglarized the railroad office at Goshen, Ind.

Henry Nevill has been arrested on suspicion of being implicated in the murder of Wm. Michie, of Fraser township, and the housekeeper of the murdered man is also to be arrested.

Will Reynolds, who committed an indecent assault on a daughter of Edward Austin, of Rockford, has fled.

On Monday, the 20th, the State Relief Commission will start three special agents through the various districts to make the first cash distribution to the sufferers, a requisition for \$65,000 having been made on the commission.

Two more forged mortgages, on the farms of two rich Irishmen of Medina, named Monahan and Moriarty, have come to light—the work of Tom Navin. It seems that for two or three years he has been in the business of forging mortgages, abstracts and certificates of registration, and selling them to parties in and out of Adrian. One is from Thomas Monahan to the late E. L. Clark, capitalist, of Adrian, dated January 5, 1880, and given on \$80 acres of land for \$4,000, to run one year at 8 per cent interest. The other is from John Moriarty to E. L. Clark, dated January 25, 1879, for \$10,000 on \$80 acres of land in Medina, to run five years at 8 per cent. It appears that Tom Navin conducted the business transaction, representing to Mr. Clark that he was acting as agent for the mortgagors who did not appear personally.

The barn of James Tobias, near Lansing, was burned Friday morning, and with it 17 cows, two horses and several young cattle.

A man named Thomas Conn, lying in an intoxicated condition on the street railway track at Bay City Thursday night, was run over and had a leg fractured. He died Friday of his injuries, and a post mortem examination is now being held.

Mrs. Mary McHugh of Marshall obtained a verdict of \$1,825 against the city for injuries caused by a defective sidewalk.

Thursday evening the brick cornice along the north side of Welch's hotel, Portland, fell with

terrible force. Mrs. Will Fagan and Mrs. Duncan Kennedy, who were passing at the time, were knocked down and severely cut about the head, shoulders and back. Mrs. Kennedy sustained a fracture of the collar bone. Mrs. Fagan at last accounts was still delirious.

The Secretary of State has prepared and published an report, bearing date of March 1, showing returns from 1,041 crop correspondents, representing 750 townships; 649 of these returns are from 428 townships in the southern four tiers of counties. The estimates show the condition of wheat, the condition of cattle and sheep, and the prospect for apples and peaches, better than one year ago. In only three counties—Alpena, Delta and Gladwin—the wheat prospects seem less promising. The condition of wheat in the southern four tiers of counties is estimated at from 12 per cent better. The average in the 28 counties in the southern four tiers is 43 per cent, and for the entire state 33 per cent better than on March 1, 1879.

The quantity of wheat marketed during the months of January and February, at 431 elevators and flouring mills, or about two thirds of the whole number in the state, is 2,885,235, of which 669,487 bushels were marketed in the first or southern tier of counties; 915,883 bushels in the second tier, 422,767 bushels in the third tier, 907,505 bushels in the fourth tier, and 270,143 bushels in the remaining counties of the state.

It is now thought that the Clark estate, (Adrian), holds bogus mortgages negotiated by Navin to the amount of \$62,000. It is feared that further investigation will show that the loss to the estate will aggregate \$90,000.

The first blizzard of the season visited East Tawas on the 18th.

T. K. Martin near Niles, aged 90 years, died from effects of vaccination.

George Parker, a young man connected with very respectable families in Adrian and Detroit, and at one time possessed of a very fair fortune, was arrested here last night for stealing shoes from the stores of A. Warden and C. Hayes. Disposition the probable cause.

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